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SUBJECT: TURKISH WORKER FLIGHTS

REFS: A. USBERLIN 2197 (NOV 743)

B. EMB BONN 18934 (DEC 74)

1. ON DEC 4 WEST BERLIN HOUSE OF REPS UNANIMOUSLY
EMPOWERED BERLIN SENAT TO UNDERTAKE ALL NECESSARY
MEASURES TO ENSURE THAT TURKISH WORKER FLIGHTS
ORIGINATE AND TERMINATE IN WEST BERLIN
(THY NOW USES EAST GERMAN AIRPORT AT SCHOENEFELD
FOR SUCH FLIGHTS.) FIRST STEP TAKEN BY FRG/SENAT
TO IMPLEMENT RESOLUTION OCCURRED DECEMBER 10 WHEN
SENAT INFORMED TURKISH CONSUL GENERAL THAT FEDERAL
LABOR OFFICE WILL HENCEFORTH INSIST THAT LABOR
CONTRACTS BETWEEN GERMAN EMPLOYERS AND TURKISH
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WORKERS SPECIFY THAT WORKERS ARRIVING BY AIR MUST

USE AIRPORT IN FRG OR WEST BERLIN. SENAT CHANCELLERY
CHIEF HERZ HAS TOLD US SENAT ALSO HAS AUTHORITY TO
PROHIBIT SALE OF THY TICKETS BY WEST BERLIN TRAVEL
AGENCIES.

2. WEST BERLIN PRESS ON DEC 9 REPORTED THAT THY
DIRECTORATE REACTED TO ACTION BY HOUSE OF REPS BY
THREATENING TO TERMINATE LANDING RIGHTS FOR ALLIED
OPERATORS OF EXISTING TURKISH WORKER CHARTER FLIGHTS
AT END OF DECEMBER.

3. PAN AM BERLIN DIRECTOR RUNNETTE TOLD MISSION
DEC 10 THAT PAN AM BELIEVES ROYALTY PAYMENTS TO THY
OUGHT TO BE PAID BY MIDDLEMEN WHO PROFIT MOST FROM
CHARTER FLIGHTS. BRITISH OPERATORS TAKING SIMILAR
LINE. PAN AM IS RELUCTANT TO BECOME TOO ACTIVE IN
ROYALTY DISPUTE BECAUSE IT DOES NOT WISH JEOPARDIZE
THE AIRLINE'S OTHER INTERESTS IN TURKEY. PAN AM IS
MAKING MONEY ON THE ONE TO TWO FLIGHTS A WEEK IT NOW
PROVIDES AND HOPES TO EXPAND THIS PART OF ITS BERLIN
OPERATION.

4. TURKISH CONSUL GENERAL DECEMBER 6 DISCUSSED MATTER
WITH SENAT OFFICIALS, NOTING THAT THY WANTED LANDING RIGHTS
ON PAR WITH SAS AND AUA, BUT UNDERSTOOD BRITISH STILL STOOD
IN WAY. SENAT BELIEVES THAT GRANTING THY LANDING RIGHTS WILL
BRING ABOUT AMICABLE SOLUTION BUT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHETHER
THY WILL BE ABLE OBTAIN OVERLIGHT RIGHTS FROM GDR
IN ORDER REACH BEFLIN CONTROL ZONE, AND IF SO, WHETHER
THIS WILL ELIMATE THY REQUEST FOR ROYALTIES FROM
ALLIED CHARTER OPERATORS FOR TURKISH WORKER FLIGHTS.

5. COMMENT: TEMPER'S HAVE BEEN RUNNING HIGH IN BERLIN ON
THY'S USE OF SCHOENEFLED TO TRANSPORT TURKISH
WORKERS EMPLOYED IN WEST BERLIN. SINCE
THY IS REPORTEDLY LOSING MONEY ON ITS LOW FARE AND
MOSTLY EMPTY SCHOENEFLED FLIGHTS TO TURKEY, THERE
IS HOPE SOLUTION WILL BE WORKED OUT SATISFACTORY TO
EVERYONE CONCERNED. SELIGMANN

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